IN THE CLAIMS

1.   (Currently Amended) A device for deflecting sections of strip, in particular metal strip, in a coiling plant, from a beginning guide channel into an end guide channel and vice-versa, comprising a driver with a pair of driver rollers and control elements arranged downstream in strip conveyance direction, further comprising a switch that can be swiveled towards the beginning guide channel or the end guide channel, and a guide table which is swivelably supported under the switch and positionable as a wiper against the lower driver roller, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the switch is convexly shaped on its top and bottom sides and is flexibly arranged at the outlet end of an assigned strip transport roller-conveyor (7, 7'), such that it clears the beginning guide channel when in a raised position, and in that the guide table is concavely shaped corresponding to the bottom side of the switch, and in that an actuating mechanism each, for example, a hydraulic unit is assigned to both the switch and the guide table.

2.   (Currently Amended) The deflection device according to claim 1 ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the switch in its function as a wiper rests against the upper driver roller, and the free end of the guide table is shaped so as to provide a positive fit with the lower

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driver roller, thus assuming the function of a wiper.

3. (Currently Amended) The deflection device according to ~~claim 1 or 2, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the free end of the switch has the shape of two convex sides meeting at a point.

4. (Currently Amended) The deflection device according to ~~claim 1, 2 or 3, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the outflow end of the strip transport roller-conveyor is assigned to the driver roller pair (4, 4') downstream in strip conveyance direction.

5. (Currently Amended) The deflection device according to ~~any one or several of claims 1 to 4, characterized in that~~ claim 1, wherein the guide surfaces of the switch and of the guide table can be equipped with glide rollers.